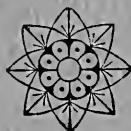


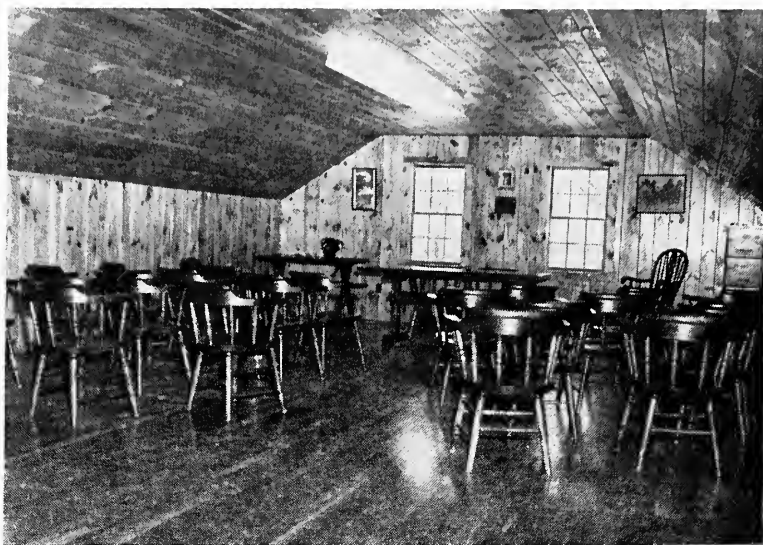
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*Town and School Reports*  
*of*  
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## RESOLUTION

### WHEREAS

PAUL T. BRADBURY long and faithfully served the TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN in elective and appointive offices of trust and responsibility and most generously devoted his interests and energies to the service of the community, and

### WHEREAS

a major contribution of his efforts and accomplishments was directed to the FRANCESTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY which he served as FIRE COMMISSIONER, and

### WHEREAS

his fellow members and many friends are desirous of honoring his memory and of giving lasting recognition to his distinguished service, now, therefore be it

### RESOLVED

that the FRANCESTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY in meeting of the members duly assembled designates the fire station meeting room as the

### PAUL T. BRADBURY MEMORIAL ROOM

and dedicates it to the service of the community in his name and in his honor, and be it further

### RESOLVED

that a bronze plaque suitably inscribed be erected in the fire station to commemorate this event.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have hereunto set our hands this 30th. day of June in the year 1968:

NORMAN J. STEWART, *Chief*  
CLIFTON F. FOOTE, *Deputy Chief*  
LAWRENCE R. KULLGREN, *Deputy Chief*  
RICHARD F. LEAVITT, *Captain*  
ARTHUR W. LORD, *Secretary*

DONALD E. HOYT, *Selectman*  
PHILLIP W. IRELAND, *Selectman*  
R. FRANKLIN MACE, *Selectman*



ANNUAL REPORTS  
*of the*  
Town Officers  
*of*  
Francestown, N. H.  
*for the*  
*Year Ending December 31, 1968*

*Also*  
Officers of School District  
*Year Ending June 30, 1968*

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## TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator: — William C. MacAdam

Selectmen: — Phillip Ireland, R. Franklin Mace, Donald E. Hoyt

Town Clerk: — Herman C. Miller

Treasurer: — Herman C. Miller

Tax Collector: — Catherine H. Abbott

Supervisors of the Checklist: — Eula Hardwick, William A. Lord, Israel H. Vadney, Jr.

Road Agent: — Stanley Rainey

Overseer of the Poor: — R. Franklin Mace (replaced Stuart F. Clark, resigned)

Trustees of Trust Funds: —

Harold A. Varnum	Term expires 1969
Clifton Foote	Term expires 1970
F. Russell Abbott	Term expires 1971

Firewards: — Clifton Foote, Richard Leavitt, Norman Muzzey, Norman Stewart, Lawrence Kullgren

Library Trustees: — Priscilla Kunhardt, Constance Dodge (replaced Kathleen Severance, resigned), Elizabeth Eggert

Cemetery Commission: —

Dorothy L. Miller	Term expires 1969
Francis W. Abbott	Term expires 1970
Israel H. Vadney, Jr.	Term expires 1971

Election Officers: — Shirley Jones, C. Gladys St. John, Gladys C. Vadney, Evelyn F. Vadney

Board of Adjustment: —

Clifton F. Foote	Term expires 1969
Robert F. Caskie, Jr.	Term expires 1970
F. Russell Abbott	Term expires 1971
Harold A. Varnum	Term expires 1972

Civil Defense Director: — Donald E. Hoyt

Police: — Chief, Norman Stewart; Constables, Richard Leavitt, Lawrence Kullgren; Special Officers, Selectmen

Planning Board: —

Walter Dodge	Term expires 1969
Robert Duncan	Term expires 1970
Blake Tewksbury	Term expires 1971
(replaced Ford Bowman, resigned)	
Eula Hardwick	Term expires 1972
Royal Cleaves	Term expires 1973
Harold A. Varnum	Term expires 1974
R. Franklin Mace	Ex-officio

Advisory Board: — F. Russell Abbott, Robert F. Caskie, Jr., Alfred Lonnberg, John Underhill, Edwin Irwin, Harold Varnum

Bicentennial and Town History Committee: — Clarence Farrar, Clifton Foote, Donald A. Marsden, Arthur Lord, Evelyn F. Vadney, Constance Dodge

Conservation Commission: — Priscilla Kunhardt, Naomi C. Lord, Liesel Gilman

Historian: — Constance Dodge

School Board: — (District) Joseph Ludwig, Louis Wiederhold, M. D. (Conval) Louis Wiederhold, M. D.



# BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, to December 31, 1969 Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1968 to December 31, 1968.

Sources of Revenue	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1968	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1968	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1969
<b>From State:</b>			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$10,500.00	\$15,263.05	\$14,000.00
Savings bank tax	500.00	577.31	500.00
Meals and Rooms Tax		947.61	950.00
Reimbursement Blister Rust		.44	
For fighting forest fires		37.50	
Reimbursement a/c old age assistance		64.19	
<b>From Local Sources Except Taxes:</b>			
Dog Licenses	400.00	405.30	400.00
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	50.00	74.00	60.00
Rent of town hall and other bldgs.	150.00	268.00	200.00
Interest received on taxes & deposits	200.00	307.19	310.00
Income of Departments:			
(a) Highway, including rental of equipment	250.00	331.00	275.00
(b) Maintenance, Class V. highways	4,927.17	4,927.17	4,927.03
Motor vehicle permit fees	6,300.00	6,367.05	6,300.00
<b>From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:</b>			
(a) Poll taxes — regular at \$2.00	440.00	402.00	400.00
(c) Yield taxes	200.00	261.07	100.00
Total Revenues from All Sources			
Except Property Taxes	\$23,917.17	\$30,232.88	\$28,422.03

## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN, N. H.

Purposes of Expenditures	Approp. Previous Year 1965	Actual Expend. Previous Year 1968	Estimated Expend. Ensuing Year 1969
<b>General Government:</b>			
Town officers' salaries	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 2,073.87	\$ 2,100.00
Town officer's expenses	1,250.00	1,389.37	1,400.00
Election and registration expenses	225.00	180.00	120.00
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	1,250.00	1,049.63	1,200.00
Employees' retirement and Social Security	625.00	152.90	175.00
<b>Protection of Persons &amp; Property:</b>			
Police department	800.00	756.28	800.00
Fire department	1,480.81	1,555.80	1,595.00
Moth Exterm. — Blister Rust and Care of Tree	125.00	124.56	125.00
Insurance	1,950.00	1,985.50	1,980.00
Planning and Zoning	25.00	00.00	50.00
Damages and Legal Expenses	50.00	00.00	50.00
<b>Health:</b>			
Vital statistics	10.00	8.75	10.00
Town dump & garbage removal	650.00	694.40	700.00
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>			
Town maintenance — summer	9,500.00	9,569.74	10,000.00
Town maintenance — winter	9,500.00	9,261.75	12,000.00
Street lighting	686.88	686.88	728.88
General expenses of Highway Dept.	1,250.00	1,839.81	1,250.00
Town road aid — Class V Highways	4,927.17	3,512.42	4,927.03
<b>Libraries:</b>	2,604.66	2,675.04	2,609.00
<b>Public Welfare:</b>			
Old age assistance	650.00	1,159.00	1,170.00
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>			
Cemeteries	300.00	300.00	300.00
Advertising & Regional Associations	170.00	170.00	322.00
<b>Interest:</b>			
On long term notes and bonds	1,775.00	1,409.42	1,006.00
<b>Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:</b>			
Library	1,200.00	1,200.00	00.00
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>			
Town construction	4,000.00	3,042.42	00.00
State aid construction, town's share	1,220.56	1,220.56	1,213.17
New Equipment	2,000.00	2,000.00	00.00
<b>Payments on Principal of Debt:</b>			
(b) Long term notes	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,500.00
(c) Payment to Capital Reserve Funds	200.00	200.00	00.00
<b>County Taxes</b>	9,544.11	9,544.11	9,500.00
<b>School Taxes</b>	87,310.34	70,370.00	108,009.00
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$153,079.53</b>	<b>\$134,132.21</b>	<b>\$169,840.08</b>

# TOWN WARRANT

## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*To the Inhabitants of the Town of Francestown in the County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Francestown on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March, next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow a sufficient sum of money to pay current expenses in anticipation of taxes, or take any action relating thereto.

4. a. To see if the Town will vote to purchase the Hough Pay-Loader which is currently on lease to the Town for \$4,000.00 until March 15, 1969, one hundred percent of which will be applicable to the full purchase price of \$17,000.00.

b. The balance is to be paid by withdrawing \$4,700.00 from the capital reserve fund titled Road Equipment and \$8,300.00 to be paid in serial notes of \$1,000.00 denomination to commence in 1970, or take any other action pertaining thereto.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$637.00 for the purchase of a new mobile police radio conforming to the new State Police regulations, or take any other action pertaining thereto.

6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell the Diamond T pumper, and said sum from the sale to be placed in the capital reserve fund for Replacement of Fire Trucks, or take any other action pertaining thereto.

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00, said sum to be placed in the capital reserve fund for Replacement of Fire Department Radios, or take any other action pertaining thereto.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$3,500.00 for the replacement of the so-called Bicknell Bridge, or take any other action pertaining thereto.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$2,500.00 for the re-roofing of the George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library, or take any other action pertaining thereto.

10. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 10th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and sixty-nine.

Phillip W. Ireland,  
R. Franklin Mace,  
Donald E. Hoyt,  
Selectmen of Franchestown

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

Phillip W. Ireland,  
R. Franklin Mace,  
Donald E. Hoyt,  
Selectmen of Franchestown

# FRANCESTOWN TOWN MEETING

March 12, 1968

Art. 1. Town Officers elected:

Town Clerk — Herman C. Miller

Town Treasurer — Herman C. Miller

Selectman 3 years — Donald E. Hoyt

Highway Agent — Stanley A. Rainey

Tax Collector — Catherine Abbott

Library Trustee 3 years — Priscilla H. Kunhardt

Trustee of Trust Fund 3 years — F. Russell Abbott

Cemetery Commissioner 3 years — Israel H. Vadney

Firewards — Clifton F. Foote, Lawrence R. Kullgren, Richard F. Leavitt, Norman C. Muzzey, Norman J. Stewart

Overseer of Public Welfare — Stewart F. Clark

Art. 2. Amended Budget

Town Officers' salaries	\$1,800 00
Town Officers' expenses	1,250 00
Election and registration expenses	225 00
Expenses town hall and other	
Town Buildings	1,250 00
Employees' retirement and soc. sec.	625 00
Police Department	800 00
Fire Department	1,480 81
Moth extermin. — Blister Rust and	
Care of Trees	125 00
Insurance	1,950 00
Planning and Zoning	25 00
Damage and legal expenses	50 00
Vital Statistics	10 00
Town dump and Garbage removal	650 00
Town Highway maintenance — Summer	9,500 00
Town Highway maintenance — Winter	9,500 00
Street lighting	686 88
General expenses of Highway Dept.	1,250 00
Maintenance — Class V Highways	4,927 17
Libraries	2,604 66
Old Age Assistance	650 00
Cemeteries	300 00
Advertising and Regional Associations	170 00

Interest on Temporary loans	1,000 00
Interest on Long Term Notes and Bonds	775 00
State Aid Construction — Town's share	1,220 56
Payment on Principal of long term notes	6,000 00

Art. 3. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to borrow a sufficient sum of money to pay current expenses in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 4. Voted to

(A) Authorize the Fire Wards together with a committee of three, appointed by the Volunteer Fire Co., to write specifications in order for the Selectmen to obtain bids for the purchase of a new Fire Engine with a 750 G.P.M. pump and other equipment required by the National Board of Underwriters.

(B) Authorize the withdrawal of the principal (\$3,000.00) and interest from the Capital Reserve Fund for Fire Truck Replacement to be applied to the cost of the above fire truck.

(C) Raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000.00), by raising Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) and borrowing Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) on long term notes under the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act and said notes to be retired at the rate of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) per year, starting in 1969.

Art. 5. Voted to indefinitely postpone action on this article.

Art. 6. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), said sum to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for Future Replacement of Fire Department Radios.

Art. 7. Voted to accept Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Dollars and Eighteen Cents to be put in a Trust Fund (The Abbie Dodge), the income to be used in all cemeteries.

Art. 8. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00 for a new heating plant for the George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library.

Art. 9. Voted for a 3 year term for the Tax Collector.

Art. 10. Voted to accept the following individual Trust Funds for Perpetual Care of Cemetery Lots in the respective names of Bertil Anderson, Walter Connell, Bertha D. Williams, William B. Rice.

Art. 11. Voted to leave the guard rail fence in the common as it is.

Art. 12. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to be spent, under the direct supervision of the selectmen, on the mountain road.

Art. 13. This article not carried.

Art. 14. This article not carried.

Art. 15. Voted to raise and appropriate a sum, not to exceed Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00), to repair or rebuild the Howell Bridge, under supervision of selectmen.

Art. 16. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw the principal and interest from the Radio Trust Fund when needed for a new truck radio.

Art. 17. No action.

Herman C. Miller, Town Clerk

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	Value
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 30,000 00
Furniture and Equipment	3,000 00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	19,250 00
Furniture and Equipment	3,000 00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	15,500 00
Equipment	30,000 00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	6,250 00
Equipment	30,000 00
Materials and Supplies	2,000 00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	2,500 00
Dump	250 00
Cemeteries	7,500 00
Horsesheds	4,000 00
	-----
Total	\$153,250 00

## SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION IN HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Description of Property	Valuation
Land — Improved and Unimproved	\$ 811,288 00
Buildings	3,589,075 00
Factory Machinery	1,700 00
Public Utilities — Electric Plant	139,800 00
House Trailers, Mobile Homes and Travel Trailers assessed as personal Property (3)	13,500 00
Stock in Trade of Merchants	11,166 00
Vehicles	1,420 00
Boats and Launches (16)	2,775 00
Dairy Cows (149)	30,175 00
Other Cattle (22)	3,045 00
Poultry (2500)	625 00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	900 00
Road Building and Construction Machinery	500 00
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Total Valuation before exemptions allowed	\$4,605,969 00



Blind Exemptions	\$1,000 00	
Neatstock Exemptions	6,450 00	
Poultry Exemptions	300 00	
Total Exemption Allowed	—————	7,750 00
Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is computed		\$4,598,219 00

*Electric and Gas Utility Companies*

Name of Company:

Public Service Company of N. H.	\$139,800 00
Number of Inventories Distributed in 1968	450
Date 1968 Inventories Were Mailed	March 1, 1968
Number of Inventories Returned in 1968	222

### CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Phillip W. Ireland,  
R. Franklin Mace,  
Donald E. Hoyt,  
Selectmen of Francestown

Date: July 19, 1968

### TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 1,800 00
Town Office Administrative Expenses	1,250 00
Election and Registration Expenses	225 00
Town Hall and Buildings Maintenance	1,250 00
Social Security and Retirement Contributions	625 00
Police Department	800 00
Fire Department	1,480 81

Blister Rust	125 00
Insurance	1,950 00
Planning and Zoning	25 00
Damages and Legal Expenses	50 00
Vital Statistics	10 00
Dump and Garbage Collection	650 00
Town Maintenance:	
(Summer \$9,500.00) (Winter \$9,500.00)	19,000 00
Street Lighting	686 88
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	1,250 00
Town Road Aid	4,927 17
Libraries	2,604 66
Old Age Assistance	650 00
Cemeteries	300 00
Advertising and Regional Associations	170 00
New Construction (Bridges \$2,000.00)	2,000 00
State Aid Construction	1,220 56
New Equipment — Fire Truck	15,000 00
Payment on Debt (Prin. \$6,000.) (Int. \$1,775)	7,775 00
Capital Reserve Fund — to be raised by taxation	200 00
Library Heating Plant	1,200 00
Mountain Road	2,000 00
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Total Town Appropriation	\$69,225 08

*Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits*

Interest & Dividends Tax	\$15,263 05
Savings Bank Tax	577 31
Meals and Rooms Tax	948 00
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	217 56
Interest received on	
Taxes and Deposits	200 00
Business Licenses, Permits and	
Filing Fees	50 00
Dog Licenses	400 00
Motor Vehicle Permits	6,300 00
Rent of Town Property & Equip.	400 00
1968 Poll Taxes at \$2 (220)	440 00
Other Revenue:	
Duncan Fund gas money	4,927 17
State Head Tax Commission	140 00

Capital Reserve Fund withdrawal	3,000 00	
Fire Truck Notes authorized	10,000 00	
Total Revenues and Credits	—————	\$42,863 09
		—————
Net Town Appropriations		\$26,361 99
Net School Appropriations:		
Francestown (deficit)	\$ 431 97	
Con. Valley Coop.	86,878 37	
	—————	87,310 34
County Tax Assessment		9,544 11
		—————
Total of Town, School and County		\$123,216 44
Add: War Service Tax Credits		2,400 00
Add: Overlay		1,294 40
		—————
Property Taxes to be raised		\$126,910 84
<i>Taxes to be committed to Collector:</i>		
Gross Property Taxes Assessed		\$126,910 84
Less: War Service Tax Credits		2,400 00
		—————
Total Property Taxes Committed		\$124,510 84
1968 Poll Taxes at \$2		440 00
		—————
Total Taxes to be committed		\$124,950 84
<i>Tax Rate:</i>		
Town (Approved by Tax Comm.)	\$2.76	

### CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

We hereby request that the tax commission compute the rate for municipal, school and county taxes separately.

Phillip W. Ireland,  
R. Franklin Mace,  
Donald E. Hoyt,  
Selectmen of Francestown

Date: July 19, 1968

**DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION  
Concord, New Hampshire**

**SUMMARY OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

January 17, 1969

Board of Selectmen  
Francestown  
New Hampshire  
Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the report of an examination and Audit of the accounts of the Town of Francestown for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1968 which was made by this Division in accordance with the vote of the Town. Exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of the report.

**SCOPE OF AUDIT**

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Library Treasurer, Cemetery Commission, Fire Department and Trustees of Trust Funds.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

*Comparative Balance Sheets:* Dec. 31, 1967 - Dec. 31, 1968:  
(Exhibit A-1)

Comparative Balance Sheets as of December 31, 1967 and December 31, 1968, are presented in Exhibit A-1. As indicated therein the Net Debt decreased by \$266.56 during 1968.

*Analysis of Change in Financial Condition:* (Exhibit A-2)

An analysis of the Change in financial condition of the Town during the year is made in Exhibit A-2, with the factors which caused the change indicated therein. These were as follows:

*Decreases in Net Debt*

Long Term Notes Paid	\$6,000 00
Net Budget Surplus	2,766 56
	----- \$ 8,766 56

*Increases in Net Debt*

Long Term Notes Issued	\$ 8,500 00
	-----
Net Decrease	\$ 266.56

*Comparative Statements of Appropriations and Expenditures —  
Estimated and Actual Revenues: (Exhibits A-3 & A-4)*

Comparative statements of appropriations and expenditures estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1968, are presented in Exhibits A-3 and A-4. As indicated by the budget summary (Exhibit A-4), a revenue surplus of \$328.21 plus a net unexpended balance of appropriations of \$2,438.35 resulted in a net budget surplus of \$2,766.56.

*Summary Statement of Receipts and Expenditures: (Exhibit B-1)*

A summary statement of receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1968, made up in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts, is included in Exhibit B-1. Proof of the Treasurer's balance as of December 31, 1968, is indicated in Exhibit B-2.

### AUDIT PROCEDURE

The accounts and records of all town officials charged with the custody, receipt and disbursement of public funds were examined and audited. Vouchers and cancelled checks were compared with supporting invoices and payrolls as well as entries in the books of record. Receipts were checked by source insofar as possible and totals of receipts and expenditures verified. Book balances were verified by comparison with reconciled bank balances made from statements obtained from depository banks. Verification of uncollected taxes was made by mailing notices to delinquent taxpayers as indicated by the collector's records. The amounts of uncollected and unredeemed taxes as indicated in this report are therefore subject to any changes which may be necessitated by the return of verification notices.

### GENERAL COMMENTS

*Current Surplus:*

The current surplus (excess of total assets over current liabilities) increased from \$7,099.41 to \$9,865.97 during the fiscal year ended December 31, 1968, as shown herewith:

	Dec. 31, 1967	Dec. 31, 1968
Total Assets	\$49,597 40	\$78,765 66
Current Liabilities	42,497 99	68,899 69
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Current Surplus	\$ 7,099 41	\$ 9,865 97

*Conclusion:*

The provisions of Chapter 184 of the Laws of 1955, require that the summary of findings and recommendations (letter of Transmittal) of this report shall be published in the next annual report of the Town.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the Town of Frances-town for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Very truly yours,

O. Maurice Oleson, Director  
Division of Municipal Accounting  
State Tax Commission

OMO:o

Stephen D. Plodzik, Auditor  
John J. Durr, Jr., Accountant

**DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION  
Concord, New Hampshire**

January 17, 1969

*Certificate of Audit*

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Town of Frances-town for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1968. In our opinion, the Exhibits included herewith reflect fairly the financial condition of the Town on December 31, 1968, together with the results of operations for the fiscal year ended on that date.

Respectfully submitted,

O. Maurice Oleson, Director  
Division of Municipal Accounting  
State Tax Commission

Stephen D. Plodzik, Auditor  
John J. Durr, Jr., Accountant

# EXHIBIT A-1 TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN

## Comparative Balance Sheets As of December 31, 1967 and December 31, 1968

Assets	December 31, 1967	December 31, 1968
<b>Cash:</b>		
Treasurer	\$20,358 53	\$46,209 06
Tax Collector — a/c		
Property Taxes		570 22
Library — General Fund (Contra)		171 60
	————— \$20,358 53 —————	\$46,950 88
Capital Reserve Funds (Contra)	13,578 11	11,020 83
<b>Due from State of New Hampshire:</b>		
Bounties	12 05	2 50
<b>Unredeemed Taxes:</b>		
Levy of 1967		203 60
Levy of 1965	45 83	45 83
	————— 45 83 —————	249 43
<b>Uncollected Taxes:</b>		
Levy of 1968		20,270 02
Levy of 1967	15,402 88	2 00
	————— 15,402 88 —————	20,272 02
<b>Uncollected State Head Taxes:</b>		
Current Year		265 00
Prior Year	200 00	5 00
	————— 200 00 —————	270 00
 Total Assets	 \$49,597 40	 \$78,765 66
Net Debt	21,525 59	21,259 03
	—————	—————
Total Assets & Net Debt	\$71,122 99	\$100,024 69

Liabilities	December 31, 1967	December 31, 1968
<b>Appropriations Forwarded:</b>		
Cemeteries	\$ 390 54	
Schools	27,568 03	\$44,508 37
Class V Highway		
Maintenance	57 38	1,472 13
New Town Beach		
(Article 16)	108 57	108 57
Town Hall Improvements	224 84	
Libraries	17 55	
Town Common Parking Lot	87 50	
Planning & Zoning		25 00

Town Maintenance —			
Summer		261	26
New Equipment —			
Fire Truck		10,960	85
	—————	\$28,454	41 ————— \$57,336 18
Due Tax Collector —			
Error in Remittance			30 07
Capital Reserve Funds			
(Contra)		13,578 11	11,020 83
Library — General Fund			
(Contra)			171 60
<b>Due State of New Hampshire:</b>			
Head Taxes — Uncollected	200 00		265 00
Head Taxes — Collected			
Not Remitted	24 00		32 50
Yield Taxes — Collected			
Not Remitted	241 47		43 51
	—————	465 47 —————	341 01
<b>Outstanding Indebtedness:</b>			
Long Term Notes		28,625 00	31,125 00
		—————	—————
Total Liabilities		\$71,122 99	\$100,024 69

## EXHIBIT A-2 TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN

### Analysis of Change in Financial Condition Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1968

Net Debt — December 31, 1967	\$21,525 59	
Net Debt — December 31, 1968	21,259 03	
Decrease in Net Debt	—————	\$ 266 56

#### *Analysis of Change*

##### *Decreases:*

Long Term Notes Paid	\$ 6,000 00	
Net Budget Surplus	2,766 56	
	—————	\$ 8,766 56

##### *Increases:*

Long Term Notes Issued		8,500 00
		—————
Net Decrease		\$ 266 56



# EXHIBIT A-3

## Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1968

	Appropriations Forwarded From 1967	Appropriations 1968	Receipts Reimbursements Transfers	Total Amount Available	Expenditures 1968	Balances Unexpended	Overdrafts	Appropriations Forwarded to 1969
Town Officers' Salaries		\$ 1,800.00	\$	1,800.00	\$ 2,073.87	\$	273.87	
Town Office Administrative Exp.		1,250.00		1,250.00	1,389.37		139.37	
Election & Registration		225.00		225.00	180.00	\$ 45.00		
Town Hall & Building Expense		1,250.00		1,250.00	1,049.63	200.37		
Social Security & Retirement		625.00	\$ 35.07	660.07	152.90	507.17		
Police Department		800.00		800.00	756.28	43.72		
Fire Department		1,480.81	37.50	1,518.31	1,555.80		37.49	
Bliстер Rust		125.00	.44	125.44	125.00	.44		
Insurance		1,950.00	68.00	2,018.00	1,985.50	32.50		\$ 25.00
Planning & Zoning		25.00		25.00		50.00		
Damages & Legal Expenses		50.00		50.00		1.25		
Vital Statistics		10.00		10.00	8.75			
Dump		650.00		650.00	694.40		44.40	
Town Maintenance — Summer		9,500.00		9,831.00	9,569.74			261.26
Town Maintenance — Winter		9,500.00	331.00	9,500.00	9,261.75	238.25		
Street Lighting		686.88		686.88	686.88			
General Expenses of Highway Dept.		1,250.00	3.77	1,253.77	1,839.81		586.04	
Town Road Aid		1,220.56		1,220.56	1,220.56			

Libraries	\$	17.55	2,604.66	52.83	2,675.04	2,675.04	444.81
Old Age Assistance			650.00	64.19	714.19	1,159.00	
Cemeteries		390.54	300.00	—390.54	300.00	300.00	
Advertising & Regional Associations			170.00		170.00	170.00	
Payment on Principal of Debt			6,000.00		6,000.00	6,000.00	
Interest on Debt			1,775.00		1,775.00	1,409.42	365.58
Capital Reserve Fund			200.00		200.00	200.00	
Town Common Parking Lot		87.50			87.50	87.50	
Town Hall Improvements		224.84		+ 390.54	615.38	129.95	485.43
School Tax		27,568.03	87,310.34		114,878.37	70,370.00	44,508.37
County Tax			9,544.11		9,544.11	9,544.11	
Overlay			1,294.40		1,294.40	344.86	949.54
Class V Highway Maintenance		57.38		4,927.17	4,984.55	3,512.42	1,472.13
Fence — New Town Beach (Article 16)		108.57			108.57		108.57
Town Construction —							
Scobie Pond			2,000.00		2,000.00	1,041.46	
New Fire Truck & Equipment			2,000.00	(1) 14,125.00	16,125.00	5,164.15	10,960.85
Library Heating Plant			1,200.00		1,200.00	1,200.00	
Mountain Road			2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.96	.96
War Service Tax Credits			2,400.00		2,400.00	2,400.00	
	\$	28,454.41	\$151,846.76	\$ 19,644.97	\$199,946.14	\$140,171.61	\$ 1,526.94
							\$ 57,336.18

- (1) Includes \$8,500 from issue of long term notes  
Includes 2,100 from the Fire Department  
Includes 3,525 withdrawn from Capital Reserve Funds

# **EXHIBIT A-4** **TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**

## **Comparative Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues and Budget Summary Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1968**

	Revenues			
	Estimated	Actual	Excess	Deficit
Interest & Dividends				
Tax	\$15,263.05	\$15,263.05		
Savings Bank Tax	577.31	577.31		
Meals & Rooms Tax	948.00	947.61		\$ .39
Revenue from				
Yield Tax Sources	217.56	217.56		
Interest Rec'd. on Taxes	200.00	307.19	\$ 107.19	
Business Licenses, Permits and Fees	50.00	74.00	24.00	
Dog Licenses	400.00	405.30	5.30	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	6,300.00	6,350.45	50.45	
Rent of Town Property	400.00	268.00		132.00
Commission on State Head Taxes	140.00	169.50	29.50	
Taxes Committed in Excess of Budgetary Requirements		68.00	68.00	
Added Taxes		176.16	176.16	
	<u>\$24,495.92</u>	<u>\$24,824.13</u>	<u>\$ 460.60</u>	<u>\$ 132.39</u>

### **Budget Summary**

Actual Revenues	\$24,824.13	
Estimated Revenues	24,495.92	
Revenue Surplus	<u>          </u>	\$ 328.21
Unexpended Balance of Appropriations	\$ 3,965.29	
Overdrafts of Appropriations	1,526.94	
Net Unexpended Balance of Appropriations	<u>          </u>	2,438.35
Net Budget Surplus		<u>\$ 2,766.56</u>

# **EXHIBIT B-1** **TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**

## **Classified Statement of Receipts and Expenditures** **Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1968**

### **RECEIPTS**

#### *Current Revenue:*

#### From Local Taxes:

#### Current Year:

Property Taxes	\$103,705 12	
Poll Taxes	402 00	
Yield Taxes	261 07	
Head Taxes	1,250 00	
	—————	\$105,618 19

#### Prior Years:

Property Taxes	\$ 15,328 88	
Poll Taxes	74 00	
Head Taxes	205 00	
Tax Sales Redeemed	120 49	
	—————	15,728 37
Interest on Taxes		329 50
Head Tax Penalties		23 50
Due Tax Collector — Error Remittance		30 07

#### From State of New Hampshire:

Interest & Dividends Tax	\$ 15,263 05	
Class V Highways	4,927 17	
Rooms & Meals Tax	947 61	
Savings Bank Tax	577 31	
Old Age Assistance	64 19	
Forest Fire Reimbursement	37 50	
Bounties	19 50	
Blister Rust	44	
	—————	21,836 77

#### From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	\$ 6,367 05	
Dog Licenses	405 30	
Rent of Town Property	268 00	
Licenses & Permits	64 00	
Filing Fees	10 00	
	—————	7,114 35

Appropriation Credits:		
New Fire Truck	\$ 2,100 00	
Summer Maintenance	331 00	
Insurance	68 00	
Library	52 83	
Social Security — Town's Share	35 07	
General Expense of Highway	3 77	
	—————	2,590 67
Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:		
Tax Anticipation Loan	\$ 30,000 00	
New Trust Funds (Contra)	9,168 18	
Long Term Note Issued	8,500 00	
Withdrawal from Capital		
Reserve Funds	3,525 00	
	—————	51,193 18
Francestown School District (Contra)		723 11
		—————
Total Receipts from All Sources		\$205,187 71
Balance — December 31, 1967		20,358 53
		—————
Grand Total		\$225,546 24

## EXPENDITURES

General Government:		
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,073 87	
Town Office Administrative Expenses	1,389 37	
Election & Registration	180 00	
Town Hall & Bldg. Maintenance	1,049 63	
	—————	\$ 4,692 87
Protection of Persons & Property:		
Police Department	\$ 756 28	
Fire Department	1,555 80	
Bounties	9 95	
Insurance	1,985 50	
Blister Rust & Care of Trees	125 00	
	—————	4,432 53
Health:		
Dump	\$ 694 40	
Vital Statistics	8 75	
	—————	703 15

Highways & Bridges:		
Town Maintenance — Summer	\$ 9,569 74	
Town Maintenance — Winter	9,261 75	
Class V Highway Maintenance	3,512 42	
General Expenses of Highway	1,839 81	
Street Lighting	686 88	
Town Road Aid	1,220 56	
	—————	26,091 16

Libraries:		
General Appropriation	\$ 2,604 66	
Social Security & Withholding Taxes	70 38	
	—————	2,675 04

Public Welfare:		
Old Age Assistance		1,159 00
Public Service Enterprises:		
Cemeteries		300 00

Unclassified:		
Taxes Bought by Town	\$ 324 09	
Advertising & Regional Association	170 00	
Retirement & Social Security	152 90	
Abatements & Refunds:		
Property Taxes	95 22	
Poll Taxes	4 00	
Interest — Overpaid	22 31	
Motor Vehicle Permit	16 60	
	—————	785 12

Interest:		
Paid on Temporary Loans	\$ 594 07	
Paid on Long Term Notes	815 35	
	—————	1,409 42

New Construction & Improvements:		
Mountain Road	\$ 2,000 96	
Scobie Pond	1,041 46	
Library Heating Plant —		
Special Appropriation	1,200 00	
Improvements to Town Hall	129 95	
New Equipment — Fire Truck Radio	425 00	
New Equipment — Fire Truck	4,739 15	
	—————	9,536 52

Indebtedness:		
Temporary Loans	\$ 30,000 00	
Long Term Notes Paid	6,000 00	
Payment to Capital Reserve Funds	200 00	
New Trust Funds (Contra)	9,168 18	
	—————	45,368 18
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
State Head Taxes	\$ 1,305 50	
County Tax	9,544 11	
School Tax	70,370 00	
Special Yield Taxes	241 47	
	—————	81,461 08
Contoocook Valley School Dist. (contra)		723 11
		—————
Total Expenditures for All Purposes		\$179,337 18
Balance December 31, 1968		46,209 06
		—————
Grand Total		\$225,546 24

## EXHIBIT B-2 TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN

### Summary of Receipts, Expenditures and Proof of Balance Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1968

Balance — January 1, 1968	\$ 20,358 53	
Receipts During Year	205,187 71	
	—————	\$225,546 24
Expenditures During Year		179,337 18
		—————
Balance — December 31, 1968		\$ 46,209 06

#### *Proof of Balance*

Balance in The Souhegan National Bank,		
Milford, N. H., Per Statement Dec. 31, 1968	\$ 45,276 38	
Add: Deposit of Jan. 4, 1969	4,496 78	
	—————	
	\$ 49,773 16	
Less: Outstanding Checks	3,564 10	
	—————	
Reconciled Balance — December 31, 1968		\$ 46,209 06

## FINANCIAL REPORT OF TREASURER

Balance in Treasury, Jan. 1, 1968		\$ 20,358 53
Catherine H. Abbott, Tax Collector		
1965 Tax Sales Redeemed	\$ 12 16	
1965 Interest & Costs After Sale	3 14	
	-----	15 30
1966 Tax Sales Redeemed	\$ 12 59	
1966 Interest & Costs After Sale	2 18	
	-----	14 77
1967 Reg. Polls	\$ 74 00	
1967 Property Tax	15,328 91	
1967 Head Tax & Penalties	226 00	
1967 Interest	324 37	
1967 Tax Sales Redeemed	120 49	
1967 Interest & Costs After Sale	1 03	
	-----	16,074 80
1968 Reg. Polls	\$ 402 00	
1968 Property Tax	103,705 14	
1968 Head Tax & Penalties	1,252 50	
1968 Interest	4 05	
1968 Yield Taxes	261 07	
	-----	105,624 76
Herman C. Miller, Clerk:		
Auto Permits	\$ 6,367 05	
Dog Taxes	405 30	
Filing Fees	10 00	
	-----	6,782 35
Loans:		
Souhegan Nat'l. Bank (Short Term)	\$30,000 00	
Souhegan Nat'l. Bank (Long Term)	8,500 00	
	-----	38,500 00
Rentals:		
Town Hall	\$ 268 00	
Grader Hire	100 50	
	-----	368 50
State of New Hampshire:		
Porcupine Bounties	\$ 19 50	
Forest Fire Bill	37 50	



Class V Highways	4,927	17
Interest & Dividends Tax, and Savings Bank Tax	15,840	36
Rooms & Meals Tax	947	61
Recovery OAA George Stone	64	19
Blister Rust Refund		44
	— — — — —	21,836 77

Unclassified:

Pistol Permits	\$	18	00
Building Permits		36	00
Business & Junk Yard Permits		10	00
G. H. Bixby Memorial Library, Social Security Withholding		87	90
Abbie A. Dodge Estate, Cemetery Trust Fund		8,890	18
Blake Me. Funeral Homes, Inc., Cemetery Lot George Woodard		25	00
Herman C. Miller, contributions to Levi Woodbury Educ. Fund rec'd. in Memory of Harry C. Woodbury		128	00
Roger G. Wells, tar & gravel		79	50
Anna K. Yoss, for grader work		6	00
Phyllis M. Cleaves, scraping road		10	00
Alan W. Furber, cemetery lot		25	00
Stuart F. Clark, insurance refund		68	00
A. J. Crawford, for sealing driveway		25	00
Trustees of Trust Funds, Replacement Fire Truck Fund		3,100	00
Francetown Fire Dept., for Fire Truck		2,100	00
Hildegard Leonard, cemetery lot		50	00
Bradshaw Langmaid, cemetery lot		50	00
Arthur D. Bailey, graveling, grading & culvert		110	00
Granite State Feed Store, refund in Highway charges		3	77
Francetown School District, Balance on Hand		723	11

Trustees of Trust Funds,		
Cap. Res. Fund Replacement		
Fire Dept. Radios	425 00	
	-----	15,970 46
Total Receipts		\$225,546 24
Total Payments		179,337 18
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Balance in Treasury, Dec. 31, 1968		\$ 46,209 06

Respectfully submitted,

Herman C. Miller,

Treasurer

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

### Town Officers' Salaries:

Phillip Ireland, Selectman	\$ 270 00
Donald Hoyt, Selectman	270 00
R. Franklin Mace, Selectman	270 00
Herman Miller, Town Clerk and Treasurer	639 00
Catherine Abbott, Tax Collector	588 87
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	\$ 2,037 87

### Town Officers' Expenses:

N.H. Assessors' Assoc. Dues	\$ 5 00
N.H. Clerks' Assoc. Dues	6 00
N.H. Tax Collectors' Assoc. Dues	5 00
Shirley Jones, Typing	8 00
Transcript Printing, Ballots	27 00
Register of Deeds	22 50
Cabinet Press, Printing Town Reports	603 50
Branham Pub. Co., Reference Auto Lists	9 40
Roger Clark, Stamps	49 00
Brenan Tree Service, Cutting Elms	170 00
Wallace Jones, Calculator & Entries	30 00
State of N.H., Boat Reports	6 96
Tax Commission, Law Book	4 00

Tax Commission, Auditing Books	307	74
Howard Kiblin, Care of Clock	25	00
Henry Humphrey, Lease of Beach	1	00
I. H. Vadney, Misc. Supplies	116	72

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\$ 1,396 82

Town Hall and Other Buildings:

Daniels Garage, Fuel Oil	\$	409	15
Public Service Co., Lights		270	33
Royal Cleaves, Basketball Backstop		46	81
Miller Plumbing & Heating, Repairs		24	00
Richard Leavitt, Battery & Light		7	50
Donald Hoyt, Repairing Door & Glass		41	63
Ralph Rokes, Bulletin Board		9	50
Janitor Service — Town Hall		71	50
Gerald Miller, Mowing Common		124	00
I. H. Vadney, Misc. Supplies, Town Hall		45	21

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\$ 1,049 63

Town Dump:

Robert Murray	\$	625	00
Stanley Rainey		10	00
Ernest Merrill		7	00
George Houghton		12	00
Floyd Cornwell		24	40
Robert Foote		16	00

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\$ 649 40

Election and Registration Expenses:

Gladys Vadney, Ballot Clerk	\$	15	00
Evelyn Vadney, Ballot Clerk		15	00
Shirley Jones, Ballot Clerk		15	00
C. Gladys St. John, Ballot Clerk		15	00
William Lord, Supervisor of Checklist		30	00
Eula Hardwick, Supervisor of Checklist		30	00
I. H. Vadney, Supervisor of Checklist		30	00

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\$ 150 00

Police Department:

Norman Stewart, Police Duties	\$	514	24
Norman Stewart, Telephone		82	84

Richard Leavitt, Police Duties	46 80
Lawrence Kullgren, Police Duties	77 50
Walter Foote, Police Duties	23 00
Supplies	11 90

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\$ 756 28

Highways — Summer:

Stanley Rainey	\$ 2,768 00
Clarence Paige	8 00
Clayton Foote	469 00
Floyd Cornwell	593 50
Robert M. Foote	1,195 95
Arthur Houghton, Jr.	914 10
David Paige	151 50
Ernest Merrill	900 38
Harold Strong	77 00
Willard Archibald	147 00
Crotched Mt. Dev. Corp.	39 52
Gravel	165 40
Cold Patch	182 93
Kris Stewart	4 50
Sealer — Tar Rd. Oil	1,923 69
Tools & Supplies	29 27

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Total \$ 9,569 74

Highways — Winter:

Stanley Rainey	\$ 1,429 25
Clayton Foote	614 00
Vernon Meatty	28 88
Roland Breault	248 50
Wilfred Foote	844 40
Robert M. Foote	1,581 26
Floyd Cornwell	1,731 15
Walter Foote	159 26
Charles Philbrick	19 50
David Paige	143 75
Clarence Paige	68 50
Edward Parks	17 50
Ralph Rokes	40 00
Louis Wiederhold, M.D.	85 00
Royal Cleaves	116 75

Grader Blades	85 65
Sand	42 20
Grader Fuel	43 89
Salt	1,597 81
Ernest Merrill	346 50
Harry Putnam	18 00

Total	\$ 9,261 75
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Scobie Pond Bridge:

Stanley Rainey	\$ 136 00
Arthur Houghton, Jr.	72 00
W. O. Mason	220 50
Harold Strong	66 00
Robert M. Foote	38 50
Floyd Cornwell	66 00
Clayton Foote	32 00
Don Wheeler	78 30
Ernest Merrill	14 00
Culverts	270 16
Gravel	48 00

Total	\$ 1,041 46
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Mountain Road:

Stanley Rainey	\$ 379 25
Carl Hardwick	15 00
Lester Houghton	72 00
Arthur Houghton, Jr.	298 00
Ernest Merrill	137 38
Robert M. Foote	261 75
Floyd Cornwell	143 25
David Paige	42 75
Willard Archibald	59 50
Clayton Foote	8 00
Supplies (Misc.)	30 00
Gravel	30 70
Cold Patch	50 61
Tar	472 77

Total	\$ 2,000 96
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Duncan Fund (Gas Money):

Stanley Rainey	\$	302	50
Ernest Merrill		139	25
Robert LaFleur		346	50
Robert M. Foote		121	00
George Houghton		107	80
Floyd Cornwell		121	00
Sidney Livingston		121	00
William Benotti		71	50
R. S. Putnam		121	00
Chester Russell		121	00
R. C. Jones		201	30
Arthur Houghton, Jr.		405	00
Concrete		84	00
Gravel		162	80
Bridge Plank (treated)		649	00
Steel Beams		390	00
Misc. Supplies		47	77
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Total	\$	3,512	42

General Expenses of Highway:

Grader Parts	\$	204	03
Culverts		748	43
Grader Fuel		86	37
Bridge Plank		522	53
Repair Power Saw		6	30
Tools — Signs, etc.		268	45
Road Sign		3	70
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Total	\$	1,839	81

# EXHIBIT C-1 TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN

## Summary of Warrants Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1968

		Levies of:	
— DR. —		1968	1967
Uncollected Taxes — January 1, 1968:			
Property Taxes			\$ 15,328 88
Poll Taxes			74 00
Taxes Committed to Collector:			
Property Taxes	\$124,510 84		
Poll Taxes	508 00		
Yield Taxes	261 07		
Added Taxes:			
Property Taxes	164 16		
Poll Taxes	10 00		2 00
Interest Collected	4 07		324 40
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	\$125,458 14		\$15,729 28

— CR. —			
Remittances to Treasurer:			
Property Taxes	\$103,705 12	\$15,328 88	
Poll Taxes	402 00	74 00	
Yield Taxes	261 07		
Interest	4 07	324 40	
Abatements Allowed:			
Property Taxes	227 64		
Poll Taxes	18 00		
Uncollected Taxes — December 31, 1968			
Property Taxes	20,172 02		
Poll Taxes	98 00		2 00
Add: Cash on Hand December 31, 1968			
a/c Property Taxes	570 22		
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	\$125,458 14		\$15,729 28

## EXHIBIT C-2 TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN

### Summary of Tax Sale Account Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1968

	Levies of:	
	1967	1965
— DR. —		
Unredeemed Taxes — January 1, 1968		\$ 45 83
Tax Sale — May 4, 1968	\$ 324 09	
Interest & Costs After Sale	1 03	
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	\$ 325 12	\$ 45 83

— CR. —		
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Redemptions	\$ 120 49	
Interest & Costs	1 03	
Unredeemed Taxes — December 31, 1968	203 60	\$ 45 83
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	\$ 325 12	\$ 45 83

## EXHIBIT C-3 TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN

### Summary of State Head Tax Warrants Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1968

	Levies of:	
	1968	1967
— DR. —		
Uncollected Head Taxes — January 1, 1968		\$ 200 00
Head Taxes Committed to Tax Collector	\$ 1,540 00	
Added Taxes During Year	30 00	10 00
Penalties Collected	2 50	21 00
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	\$ 1,572 50	\$ 231 00

— CR. —		
Remittance to Treasurer:		
State Head Taxes	\$ 1,250 00	\$ 205 00
Penalties	2 50	21 00
Abatements Allowed	55 00	
Uncollected Head Taxes — December 31, 1963	265 00	5 00
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	\$ 1,572 50	\$ 231 00



## Unpaid Head and Poll Taxes — December 31, 1968

Thomas E. Bixby III	Carl Peterson
Martha C. Bixby	Pauline Peterson
Ada Bixby	Bradley Peterson
Peter Bixby	Clarence Paige *
Norman W. Burns *	Lucille Paige *
George Cilley	Kenneth Pierce *
Frances Cilley	Laura Pierce *
Carol Ann Dunham	Gregory Robinson, Jr.
Stephanie Eddy	Geraldine Robinson
Carol Foote	Rachel Smith
Walter Foote	Robert Smith
Angus Gelston	Brendon St. Hillaire
June Gelston	Cynthia St. Hillaire
James Hadley	Kathleen Severance
Lillian Johnston	Donald Severance
Ralph Johnston	Nathan Sanderson
William MacAdam	Natalie Sanderson
Lois MacAdam	Mary Standish
Bruce MacAdam	Norman Shepard
Ethel MacAdam	Beverly Shepard
Raymond Micklin	Harold Simpson
Robert Murray	Virginia Twombly
Carolyn Murray	

\* Paid after December 31, 1968

## Unpaid Property Taxes — December 31, 1968

Ada Bixby	Oscar & Rosanne Sweet
Thomas E. Bixby III	Anna Yoss *
Martha C. Bixby	Edward Bentson
Pamela Bixby	Robert Baker
Stuart F. Clark *	Leonard & Annie Bienvenue
F. H. Colburn Co.	Duane & Joanne Brown
Mt. Crotched Develop. Corp.	Edward N. Colburn *
Francestown Water & Elec.	Henry Curtis
Francestown Improvement Soc.	Walter H. Foster *
Virginia V. Fossell	Robert H. & Louise H. Foote
Harold & Helen Hammond	Richard & Maria Foote
Wm. & Lois MacAdam	Charles L. Foster
Robert & Carolyn Murray	Frank & Lorraine Gilman

Norman & Marie Muzzey	Edward Hentze
Wm. & Pauline Nickerson	Duane McDuffee
Clayton O. Philbrick, Jr. *	Vera & Harvey Paige
Lucy Philbrick	John & Ethel Prince *
Clayton O. Philbrick III	Eastman Taylor *
Carl Peterson	Thurston Williams
Brendon & Cynthia St. Hillaire	Bruce York
Donald & Kathleen Severance	Rudolph & Barbara Ziegler
Harold Simpson	

\* Paid after December 31, 1968

## REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

Auto Permits, 489 issued	\$6,367 05
Dog Licenses:	
108 Male & Spayed	\$242 50
21 Female	108 00
2 Kennel	103 00
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	\$431 50
Paid Out: Comm. on 131 licenses	26 20
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	405 30
Filing Fees	10 00
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Total Receipts	\$6,782 35

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Remittances to Treasurer:	
Motor Vehicle Permits	\$6,367 05
Dog Licenses	405 30
Filing Fees	10 00
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	\$6,782 35

Respectfully submitted,

Herman C. Miller,  
Town Clerk

**FIRE INSURANCE SCHEDULE 1968**  
**Town of Francestown, New Hampshire**

**BUILDINGS AND CONTENTS**

\$10,000. on Library Building  
4,000. on Contents of Library  
3,500. on Town Garage Building  
15,000. on Town Hall Building  
500. on Contents of Selectmen's Office  
7,000. on Fire Station Building

**OTHER PROPERTY AND VEHICLES**

\$17,000. on Leased Payloader  
3,500. on Motor Grader  
1,000. on Stage Coach  
650. on Resuscitator  
800. on Two-way Radio and Antenna  
2,900. on 1954 International Fire Truck & Equipment  
2,150. on 1947 Diamond T. Fire Truck & Equipment  
1,550. on 1948 Ford Fire Truck & Equipment  
Workmen's Compensation on all Town Employees.  
Liability and Property Damage on all Town Buildings, Land,  
Vehicles and Operations.  
Blanket Accident Policy on Fire Department Members.  
Burglary and Robbery Policy covering Office of Town Treasurer.

## REPORT OF LIBRARIAN — 1968

### Circulation of Books and Magazines

Fiction	2,560
Non-fiction	1,764
Juvenile	3,912
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Total Books	8,236
Magazines	842
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	9,078
Borrowed from Bookmobile	3,336
Borrowed from State Library	275
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### Library Hours

Wednesday	2 - 5
	6 - 8
Friday	6 - 8
Saturday	2 - 5

We appreciate and acknowledge all contributions of Magazines and Books:

Mr. and Mrs. Muzzey, Betty Behrsing, Spikey Cleaves, Betty Eggert, Lou Gilman, Alfred Gray, Alexander Gerschenkron, The Golden Quill Press, Mrs. Langmaid, Susan and Kim Lord, Debby Stewart, Eva Sturrow, Elizabeth Thompson, Roger Hall, Mr. Wiggin.

In Memory of — Arnold B. Bailey

This year we were fortunate in receiving 10 books in large print from the State Library in Concord.

The following Magazines subscribed to by the Library:

American Girl, Antiques, Boys Life, Good Housekeeping, New England Journeys, New Hampshire Profiles, Popular Mechanics, Holiday, Horn Book, Ladies Home Journal, Life, McCall's, National Geographic, Popular Science, Reader's Digest, School Arts, Seventeen, Sports Illustrated, Time.

We are in the process of weeding and replacing many of the

Children's books, and we are continuing the cataloguing of adult books which should enable our readers to locate books.

Thanks to — Kim Severance, Pam Erwin, Martha Wiederhold for their assistance in the library.

Respectfully submitted,

Ingeborg Anderson, Librarian

## **REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES GEORGE HOLMES BIXBY MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

Preliminary drawings of plans for making the basement of real use having been made, we learned we were eligible for Federal matching funds under Title II of the Library Services and Construction Act — our share being 60 per cent of the estimated cost, the Federal share 40 per cent.

In March, before Town Meeting, a letter was mailed out describing the proposed building alterations and explaining how we could apply for these funds.

At Town Meeting the proposed building alterations were discussed, and \$1,200.00 was voted, 60 per cent of the estimated cost of the new heating plant — part of the overall Building Project.

In addition to the Meeting Room (Arts and Crafts Room) and the Librarian's workroom in the basement, plans included opening up the north end of the Children's Room. Here will be a children's Reading Alcove, which will have a window seat, just right for a small child to curl up with a book. This charming alcove is a Memorial to Anne Schott and is given by her family and friends.

With food sales in February and a very generous response to the March letter, plus funds already on hand from earlier benefits and gifts, we were able to make the application for funds and proceed with the plans. These plans — working drawings and specifications — were put out for bid in November, and work was begun on December 2nd and has been progressing rapidly with the date of completion set for April, 1969.

The March letter gave \$8,500.00 as the total local share to be raised, but in November, when the plans were completed and bids requested, it was found necessary to raise additional

money to bring our total share to \$17,869.00, and with the additional matching funds we could complete the entire project as planned. Total figures are not shown in this year's financial report inasmuch as part of this amount was received in the form of pledges not yet fulfilled.

The response to the appeal for the Building Fund has been so wonderful; not only did we receive very generous gifts, but the many letters and words of encouragement were also greatly appreciated. Both Henry and George Hill, sons of Mrs. E. Burlingame Hill who gave the Library building, were here this summer and were very pleased with the plans for the Library.

One of the special gifts to the Fund was a very handsome one from the Shieling Trust, given to us by the Trustees who are "particularly interested in Library facilities."

The Library is also grateful to Mr. David Gregg of Wilton for the gift of a soapstone sink to be used in the Meeting and Arts and Crafts Room — so suitable!

Among the events of this year was a lovely spring tea at the Library in late March. Mrs. Pat Standish was chairman of this delightful and festive occasion.

National Library Week in April was celebrated with a movie for the children, with refreshments.

In May the Trustees attended a trustee orientation session at the Concord Library. These meetings were held in all State Library Districts, and it was possible to attend whichever one was convenient. Budgets and other responsibilities were discussed.

May 23 and 24 were the dates of the NHLA and NHLTA Annual Meetings. The Trustees and Librarian attended and heard Mr. Ruben Goodman discuss legal responsibilities of the library relative to the selection of books.

In June we completed work on a written policy for the Library, which is one of the requirements for an affiliated library of the Statewide Library Development Program.

In the summer, August 15, that enthusiastic group of Library friends headed by Mrs. William Basset and Mrs. William MacAdam again produced a wonderful party for the Library. Wonderful for the fun everyone had and wonderful for the proceeds raised! It was a Bridge-Tea, and in conjunction with this a Silent Auction was ably conducted by Mrs. Leroy Hill, Mrs. Walter Dodge and Mrs. John Oppenheimer. It was held at the

Ski Lodge, generously loaned for this occasion. The Library is most appreciative and grateful to all.

In September the Trustees accepted with regret the resignation of Mrs. Donald Severance, and welcomed with pleasure the appointment of Mrs. Walter Dodge to the Board.

In October the Trustees and Librarian attended a Fall dinner meeting of the New Hampshire Library Trustees Association.

The program of movies begun in the fall of 1967 continued throughout the winter and spring. In the summer there was a weekly series. Mrs. Donald Severance and Mrs. Donald Marsden were responsible for this well-received project, for the average attendance was about 40. The summer series included several movies relative to conservation, also.

Our thanks go to the Village Improvement Society for their generous gifts from their fund and the Labor Day "Doll" money.

From Mr. and Mrs. Carl Freese we received a gift in memory of Neil Leonard, who was such a good friend to the Library.

This community is very generous to its Library, and we wish we might thank you all individually for all the special gifts you have given to the Library and to the Library Building Fund, and for all the help offered to us.

And once again we say "Thank you" to our wonderful Librarian.

This year we are asking for the same budget of \$2,609, but would like to carry over the balance from 1968 of \$171.60. The ceiling in the Reading Room needs to be repaired, but we did not want to do it until the work in the basement had been completed. Also, the ceiling in the Academy Room on the second floor needs repair due to water damage. Leaks have been discovered in the roof, and therefore some consideration of this problem is necessary to prevent further damage.

The Library hours are Wednesdays 2 to 5 (with the school children coming at 12:30) and 6 to 8; Fridays, 6 to 8; and Saturdays 2 to 5.

The Trustees and Librarian meet the first Wednesday of the month from 5:30 to 6:30.

Respectfully submitted,  
Priscilla H. Kunhardt  
Elizabeth J. Eggert  
Constance Dodge

# REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES GEORGE HOLMES BIXBY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

## Budget — Town Account

	Budget 1968	1968 Expend.	1969 Budget
Salaries	\$ 800 00	\$ 800 00	\$ 800 00
Grounds and Janitor	85 00	104 00	85 00
Cleaning	80 00	16 50	25 00
Fuel	310 00	242 53	310 00
Magazines	75 00	119 17	75 00
Books	700 00	682 95	700 00
Supplies and Petty Cash	50 00	91 85	50 00
New Equipment & Repairs	250 00	50 37	250 00
Water and Lights	85 00	112 25	85 00
Bank Charges	10 00	1 50	10 00
Clerical Assistance	20 00	81 12	75 00
Records	10 00	0 00	5 60
Soc. Sec. — Employer	34 00	35 16	38 40
Transportation — Librarian	100 00	100 00	100 00
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Total	\$2,609 00	\$2,437 40	\$2,609 00
Unexpended Balance*		\$ 171 60	

\*To be used towards repair of ceilings, not done in 1968 due to unfinished basement work.

## *Financial Report — 1968*

### Receipts:

Balance on hand January 1, 1968	\$ 4 34
Town Appropriation	2,604 66
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Total	\$2,609 00

### Expenditures:

Budget Expenditures	\$2,437 40
Balance on hand December 31, 1968	171 60
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	\$2,609 00



# GEORGE HOLMES BIXBY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

## Accounts for Special Purposes

### Receipts:

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1968	\$2,197 46	
Manning and Clark Fund Trust Income	62 77	
Alison Bixby Hill Fund Trust Income	75 00	
Fine Money	50 66	
Sale of Post Cards	6 21	
Benefit Bridge-Tea	396 45	
VIS 1967 Labor Day Gift	100 60	
VIS Income from Trust Gift	58 77	
VIS 1968 Labor Day Gift	90 80	
Gifts	415 00	
	—————	\$3,453 72

### Expenditures:

Books	\$ 105 00	
Benefit Bridge-Tea Expenses	30 00	
Monadnock Architectural Associates	383 10	
Transferred to:		
Bldg. Fund Savings Acc't.	1,836 91	
Bldg. Fund Check Acc't.	454 57	
Miscellaneous	8 45	
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1968	635 69	
	—————	\$3,453 72

### Savings Bank Accounts:

Peterborough Savings Bank #35375		
Susan Wason Memorial Fund (Jan. 3, 1968)	\$ 64 21	
Peterborough Savings Bank #37119		
In Memory of Frank Gardner by Daughter, Agnes Gardner	\$1,106 33	
Peterborough Savings Bank #31743		
Building & Special Activities Fund (Changed to read Building Fund):		
Trans. from Special Acc't.	\$1,836 91	
Food Sales	175 25	
Gifts (Bldg. Fund Letter)	3,687 00	
1967 Dec. 31 Balance	55 55	
Interest Dividends	188 26	
Total	—————	\$5,942 97

Transferred to First Nat'l. Bank:  
 Building Fund (Checking Acc't.) \$5,942 97  
 This account is closed.  
 Peterborough Savings Bank #39794  
 Ann Schott Memorial \$1,063 55  
 (First National Bank) Account opened October 7, 1968  
 Building Fund

Receipts:

Transferred from:  
 Savings Acc't. #31743 Bldg. Fund \$5,942 97  
 Special Account 454 57  
 Gifts 188 48  
 Town Appropriation 1,200 00  
 ————— \$7,786 02

Disbursements:

Monadnock Architectural Associates \$ 548 72  
 Bank Charge (Check Book) 4 00  
 Contractor: Philip F. Martus, Jr., Inc. 4,726 19  
 Balance, December 31, 1968 2,507 11  
 ————— \$7,786 02

**EXHIBIT E-1**  
**TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**

**George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library – General Fund**  
**Statement of Receipts, Expenditures and Proof of Balance**  
**Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1968**

Balance — January 1, 1968 \$ 4 34  
 Receipts During Year:  
 Town Appropriation 2,604 66  
 —————  
 \$2,609 00

Expenditures During Year:

Books & Magazines \$802 12  
 Supplies 91 85  
 Bank Charges 1 50  
 Librarian's Salary 800 00  
 Fuel 242 53  
 Janitor 104 00  
 Cleaning 16 50

Repairs	50 37	
Water & Lights	112 25	
Transportation	100 00	
Social Security Taxes	35 16	
Clerical Assistance	81 12	
	-----	\$2,437 40

Balance — December 31, 1968		\$ 171 60
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*Proof of Balance*

Balance in the First National Bank of Peterborough		
Per Statement December 23, 1968	\$ 441 99	
Less: Outstanding Checks	270 39	
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Reconciled Balance — December 31, 1968	\$ 171 60	

## EXHIBIT E-2

### George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library — Special Fund Statement of Receipts, Expenditures and Proof of Balance Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1968

Balance — January 1, 1968		\$3,366 93
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*Receipts During Year:*

Trust Funds	\$ 137 77	
Interest on Savings	65 31	
Fine Money	50 66	
Gifts	1,725 17	
Library Benefits	396 45	
Miscellaneous	6 21	
	-----	2,381 57
		-----
		\$5,748 50

*Expenditures During Year:*

Books & Magazines	\$ 105 00	
Architectural Services	383 10	
Benefit Expenses	30 00	
Transfer to Building Fund Acct.	2,347 03	
Miscellaneous	8 45	
	-----	\$2,873 58
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Balance — December 31, 1968		\$2,874 92
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*Proof of Balance*

Balance in the First National Bank of Peterborough	
Per Statement December 31, 1968	\$ 360 69
Add: Deposit in Transit	275 00
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	\$ 635 69
Add: Peterborough Savings Bank:	
Pass Book No. 37119	\$1,110 94
Pass Book No. 39794	1,063 81
Pass Book No. 35375	64 48
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	2,239 23
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Reconciled Balance — December 31, 1968	\$2,874 92

**EXHIBIT E-3  
TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**

**Bixby Memorial Library — Building Fund Account  
As of December 31, 1968**

*Receipts During Year:*

Transfer from Special Account	\$2,347 03	
Gifts	4,050 73	
Interest	188 26	
Town Appropriation	1,200 00	
	<hr/>	\$7,786 02

*Expenditures During Year:*

Architect	\$ 548 72	
Contractor	4,726 19	
Bank Service Charge	4 00	
	<hr/>	5,278 91
		<hr/>
		\$2,507 11

*Proof of Balance*

Balance in the First National Bank	
Per Statement December 30, 1968	\$2,507 11

# FIRE DEPARTMENT

## Financial Report — 1968

Balance on hand January 1, 1968	\$ 249 99
Town Appropriation	1,480 81
Income:	
Phone Booth Commission	14 49
	— — — —
	\$1,745 29

### Expenditures:

Electric Power	\$ 172 34	
Fuel Oil	218 75	
Materials and Supplies	271 42	
New Hose	42 30	
Truck Repairs	452 09	
Mutual Aid Charges	224 68	
Gasoline and Oil	21 36	
Radio Repairs	24 40	
Water Holes — Labor	30 00	
Deferred Payments (1967 Budget)	29 40	
	— — — — —	
		\$1,486 74

### Reserves:

#### Deferred Payments:

Fuel Oil (Dec. 1968)	\$ 67 36	
Antifreeze (Dec. 1968)	10 74	
Gasoline and Oil (Dec. 1968)	12 15	
Truck Battery (Dec. 1968)	20 45	
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		\$ 110 70
Reserve for Fire Hydrant Modification		100 00
Reserve for Electric Wiring Installation		47 85
		— — — — —
		\$1,745 29

## Budget for Calendar Year 1969

	1968 Budget	1968 Expended	1969 Budget
Electric Power	\$ 215 00	\$ 172 34	\$ 215 00
Fuel Oil	250 00	286 11	300 00
Material and Supplies	200 00	302 61	200 00
New Hose	250 00	42 30	250 00
Truck Repairs	125 00	452 09	125 00
Stamps, Stationery & Postage	5 00		5 00
Mutual Aid Charges	200 00	224 68	225 00
Heater Repairs	45 00		45 00
Gas and Oil	75 00	33 51	75 00
Radio Repairs	75 00	24 40	75 00
Water Holes, Labor	40 00	30 00	40 00
Electrical Repairs and Inst.			30 00
Bank Charges	10 00		10 00
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	\$1,490 00	\$1,568 04	\$1,595 00
Less:			
Unexpended Balance	9 19		
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	\$1,480 81	\$1,568 04	\$1,595 00

## Report of Forest Fire Warden and District Chief

People cause fires. Our records show that the number of fires increase in an area as the population increases and our state is growing tremendously. This means that we all must be aware of fire causes and do our best to prevent their occurrence.

When we are very young the lighted match is an adventure, burn fingers and a dropped match is another fire. A little older we like to have a woodland cookout, or go out by ourselves for a smoke but fire and forests get together for another statistic. We adults like to clean up in the spring, burn the old debris and the dead grass, result — escaped fires and much personal expense.

With new homes and summer cottages located in woodlands and with abandoned fields and forests crowding the

back yard of our villages' streets, it is necessary that everyone be aware all through the fire season, which comes with the disappearance of the snow, of the need to be careful with outdoor fires and fire sources.

The following action will help:

1. To teach our children the danger of lighted matches.
2. To *never* discard lighted smoking material from a car or while walking through fields or woods.
3. To safely dispose of rubbish preferably at the town dump. If you must burn —
  - a. You need a written permit from the town fire warden for *all* debris burning except when the ground is covered with snow. Cooking fires in outdoor fireplaces or in charcoal braziers in your own back yard is permitted on notification of the warden.
  - b. The warden is forbidden by regulation to allow burning of household rubbish on *grass* by householders between 9:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M.
  - c. Have equipment on hand to control the fire *before* you light the match.
4. Promptly report any fire out of control to your fire warden or fire department.

Help to keep our town out of the fire occurrence column and save your tax dollars for useful purposes.

**EXHIBIT H**  
**TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**

**Cemetery Association**  
**Statement of Receipts and Expenditures**  
**Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1968**

Balance — January 1, 1968	\$ 83 26
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*Receipts During Period:*

Town Appropriation	\$300 00	
Trustees of Trust Funds	500 00	
	-----	800 00
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		\$883 26

*Expenditures During Period:*

Electricity	\$ 24 05	
Care of Grounds	729 13	
Services — Plumbing	12 50	
	-----	\$765 68
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Balance — December 31, 1968	\$117 58
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*Proof of Balance*

Balance in The Souhegan National Bank	
Per Statement December 26, 1968	\$124 43
Less: Outstanding Checks	6 85
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Reconciled Balance — December 31, 1968	\$117 58



# Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Francestown, N. H., on December 31, 1968

## PRINCIPAL INCOME

Date of Creation	Name and Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Withdrawn	Balance End Year	Amount During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
1954	Co-Mingled Fund "A" Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	\$5,725 00	100 00		5,825 00	2,400 47	65	2,388 12
1952	Co-Mingled Fund "B" Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	3,609 28			3,609 28	1,469 01	400 00	1,621 89
1954	Levi Woodbury Fund, Educational	Savings Bank	1,000 00	128 00		1,128 00	35 84	100 00	1,621 89
1954	George F. Petee Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	200 00			200 00	70 96	41 91	44 52
1956	Vose and Blake Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	450 00			450 00	97 14	13 12	84 08
1956	Minnie P. Newton Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	100 00			100 00	14 53	26 52	123 66
1956	N. and N. Pearson Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	200 00			200 00	55 43	5 54	20 07
1957	Abbott and Bryant Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	500 00			500 00	39 57	19 36	67 79
1957	Morrill-Gorman-Desrochers Cemetery	Savings Bank	500 00			500 00	108 30	29 45	118 93
1957	Hall and McKinley Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	100 00			100 00	25 52	6 07	137 75
1962	H. J. and A. Miller Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	150 00			150 00	29 93	8 71	31 59
1962	James T. Woodbury Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	100 00			100 00	18 78	5 74	38 64
1962	Forrest N. Nichols Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	100 00			100 00	18 78	5 74	24 52
1962	N. and T. Stewart Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	124 33	6 01		130 34	9 06		24 52
1963	Bertil Anderson Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	100 00			100 00	5 29		14 35
1963	Walter Donnell Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	200 00			200 00	26 58	10 97	37 55
1964	Bertha D. Williams, Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	150 00			150 00	11 15	7 86	18 95
1966	William B. Rice, Cemetery Care	Savings Bank	100 00			100 00	3 66	5 01	8 67
1968	Abbie A. Dodge	Savings Bank		8,890 18		8,890 18	262 09		262 09
(**)	George H. Bixby Library Fund	Savings Bank	1,025 00			1,025 00	50 60		
(**)	George H. Bixby Library Fund	Coop Bank	1,500 00			1,500 00			

\*Trust Fund established to have interest added to principal until instructed otherwise.

\*\* Trustees of Trust Funds custodians of principal only.

## CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

		Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Withdrawn	Balance End Year	Amount During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
1962	Town History	292 10			292 10	82 24	18 44	100 68
1956	Town Buildings	12 00			12 00	16 35	1 33	17 68
1955	Replacement Fire Trucks	2,600 00		2,600 00		596 31	500 00	224 08
*1960	Town Hall	2,025 82	2,112 40		4,138 22	8 41		164 57
1960	Road Equipment	3,271 51			3,271 51	1,297 43	231 58	1,519 01
1958	New Cemetery Sales	450 00	150 00		600 00	86 39	27 78	114 07
1961	Civil Defense	100 00			100 00	95 97	6 09	32 06
1965	Replacement Fire Dept. Radios	600 00	200 00	425 00	375 00	26 07	33 78	59 85
*1966	Replacement Mill Village Bridge	2,000 00		2,000 00		87 61	112 40	

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

\* Transfer of unexpended balance in "Mill Village Bridge Fund" to "Town Hall Fund" authorized by affirmative action on Article No. 12 Town Meeting March 14, 1967.

F. RUSSELL ABBOTT  
HAROLD A. VARNUM  
CLIFTON F. FOOTE  
Trustees

# EXHIBIT I

## TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN

### Statement of Long Term Indebtedness, Showing Annual Maturities of Principal and Interest As of December 31, 1968

	Town Hall Improvement Notes		Caskie Bridge Notes		Mill Village Bridge		Fire Truck Note		Total
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	
Amount of Issue	\$14,000.00		\$12,000.00		\$13,625.00		\$8,500.00		
Date of Issue	February 1, 1962		June 1, 1962 and June 17, 1963		May 20, 1966		August 24, 1968		
Principal Payable Date	December 31		June 1		May 20		August 24		
Interest Payable Dates	June 30 & Dec. 31		June 1 and Dec. 1		Nov. 20 and May 20		Feb. 24 and Aug. 24		
Payable at	Souhegan National Bank, Milford, N. H.		Souhegan National Bank, Milford, N. H.		Souhegan National Bank, Milford, N. H.		Souhegan National Bank, Milford, N. H.		
Maturities—Fiscal Year Ending:	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal
	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 212.91	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 167.25	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 258.75	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 366.27	\$ 6,500.00
	December 31, 1969								\$ 1,005.18
	1,000.00	182.50	1,000.00	136.83	2,000.00	198.75	2,000.00	258.54	6,000.00
	December 31, 1970								776.62
	1,000.00	152.09	1,000.00	106.42	2,000.00	138.75	2,000.00	172.36	6,000.00
	December 31, 1971								569.62
	1,000.00	121.66	1,000.00	76.25	2,000.00	78.75	2,000.00	85.95	6,000.00
December 31, 1972									362.61
	1,000.00	91.25	1,000.00	45.58	1,625.00	24.37			3,625.00
	December 31, 1973								161.20
	1,000.00	60.84	1,000.00	15.25					2,000.00
December 31, 1974									76.09
December 31, 1975	1,000.00	30.41							30.41
	\$ 7,000.00 \$		\$ 851.66 \$		\$ 9,625.00 \$		\$ 8,500.00 \$		\$ 31,125.00
									\$ 2,981.73

**EXHIBIT J**  
**TOWN OF FRANCES TOWN**  
**Town Officers' Surety Bonds**  
**1968**

	Number	Amount	Term Beginning
TOWN TREASURER — Herman C. Miller New Hampshire Insurance Company	85-18-90	\$15,000.00	March 12, 1968
TAX COLLECTOR — Catherine H. Abbott Hartford Accident and Indemnity Co.	3436474-G	\$14,000.00	March 12, 1968
TOWN CLERK — Herman C. Miller New Hampshire Insurance Company	85-48-33	\$ 4,000.00	March 12, 1968
TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS: —			
Harold A. Varnum New Hampshire Insurance Company	86-59-90	\$ 6,000.00	March 12, 1968
F. Russell Abbott New Hampshire Insurance Company	88-43-11	\$ 6,000.00	March 12, 1968
Clifton F. Foote New Hampshire Insurance Company	92-76-28	\$ 6,000.00	March 12, 1968

## REPORT OF THE FRANCESTOWN PLANNING BOARD

We hereby submit our report to the Town for the year 1968.

During the year the Planning Board welcomed to its membership Dr. Blake Tewksbury, who succeeds Donough Prince whose term has expired, and Harry A. Varnum, who replaced Ford W. Bowman who has resigned. Selectman R. Franklin Mace represented the Board of Selectman as an ex-officio member.

The Board held a total of six regular and two special meetings during the year. Although no scheduled meeting dates have been set, the Board has been most cooperative in meeting on short notice to expedite the business which comes before it.

On October 17 the Frankestown, Hancock and Greenfield Planning Boards and Boards of Selectmen met in the Paul T. Bradbury Memorial Room at the Fire House for the purpose of exchanging ideas, experiences, and methods of procedure. This mutually helpful get-together was followed on November 21 by a meeting in Greenfield of the same groups, for the purpose of discussing legislation to become effective in 1971, which radically restricts present methods of disposing of rubbish. Representatives of both State and Federal governments participated in the latter discussion. No immediate solutions resulted from this meeting, but it did bring to the attention of those present the serious problem that will face our community in approximately two years.

The Department of Resources and Economic Development is in the process of printing Frankestown's zoning ordinance and subdivision regulations. Hopefully these pamphlets will be available by town meeting time. They are being printed at minimum cost and will be similar in format to those prepared for several other towns in New Hampshire.

Respectfully submitted,

Royal S. Cleaves  
Walter C. Dodge  
Robert R. Duncan  
Eula A. Hardwick  
R. Franklin Mace  
Blake Tewksbury  
Harry A. Varnum

## REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

The new U.S. Post Office on the Turnpike was opened for official business on April 1, 1968. The one-story building is well equipped with personal mail boxes, general delivery, and "In-Town" and "Out-of-Town" deposit areas. The Town was sorry to lose its Postmaster, Roger Clark, who resigned because of his move to the Cape. To date no replacement has been appointed, although there are several Francestown applicants for the position.

On June 30th the Volunteer Firemen and friends dedicated the newly completed Paul T. Bradbury Memorial Room on the second floor of the Fire Station. The firemen donated their time to attractively finish the room in knotty pine, and the Village Improvement Society very generously contributed the money to furnish this area with captain's chairs and a trestle table. In addition, two chairs were given — one by the John H. Underhills and one by George E. Kunhardt, Jr., in memory of Edmund H. Nutting. Further details including the resolution read at the dedication will be found in the Firemen's Report. The firemen extend a cordial invitation to any Town group to use this room for meetings, etc.

A skating rink for use by Francestown residents was constructed in November on the lots where the F. Colburn Store and the Kiblin house stood on Main Street (both destroyed by fire in October, 1964), under the sponsorship and financial aid of the Village Improvement Society. The use of the land was contributed by owners of the property.

The Village Improvement Society also underwrote the expense of a new float for use at the Public Beach for town residents at Scobie Pond, and also for the installation of two outdoor floodlights at the Old Meeting House.

The work of renovating the basement rooms of the George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library building to provide space for a Meeting Room and an Arts and Crafts Center, and a much needed workroom for the Librarian together with a Children's Reading Alcove on the first floor in memory of Anne Schott (1965-1967) was started December 2nd. A more detailed account is given under the report of the Library Trustees.

The voters check list as of December 31, 1968, showed 342 qualified voters.

The 1968 estimated population of Francestown was 558, as reported by the State Department of Resources and Economic Development.

To the best of my knowledge, the following Francestown men were serving in the United States Military Service during 1968:

Pfc. Donald Abbott	Sp. 4 Kenneth A. Hardwick
Col. James D. Caskie	Sp. 4 Charles J. McCarthy, Jr.
Lt. James D. Caskie, Jr.	ETR3 George W. Morgan
F-3C Ransom E. Cowles	Ensign Kimball Prince
Lt. Jack Curran	1st Lt. Herbert R. Vadney
Pvt. Dale Daignault	AQF 3 Matthew Varnum
Major Richard A. Dunham, Jr.	

Respectfully submitted,  
Constance Dodge, Town Historian

## REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Thanks to the Selectmen who had the bushes cut by the Soapstone Quarry, a clear view may be had of this scenic area — a place of historic interest and natural beauty.

In late Spring, with the help of Rev. Angus Gelston and a large group of children, we had a special roadside cleanup day, gathering up much rubbish.

During the Summer, we sponsored five movie programs relative to conservation. Primarily for children, adults also attended.

While the VIS generously sponsors many of the children going to the Conservation Camp, we continue to help spread information about this opportunity.

We worked for SPACE (Statewide Program of Action to Conserve our Environment) in an educational campaign for the proposed constitutional Amendment No. 7.

Respectfully submitted,  
Caroline M. Lord  
Priscilla H. Kunhardt  
Liesel Gilman

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
DIVISION OF RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT  
WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST CONTROL**

Blister Rust Control Area in Town	15,987 Acres
Pine Area	10,284 Acres
Area Detailed Mapped	15,987 Acres
Work coming up in 1969	1,803 Acres
Recommended Appropriation 1969	\$125 00

District Supervisor  
L. A. Hackett  
40 Mechanic St.  
Keene N. H.

**WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST CONTROL  
Financial Statement — 1968  
TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**

Town Funds Expended	\$124 56
Cooperative Aid to Town	312 15
Total Expenditures	———— \$436 71
1968 Town Appropriation	\$125 00
Town Funds Expended	124 56
Balance Due Town	———— \$ 44
Area Worked	1,102 Acres
Currant and gooseberry bushes destroyed	1,620

# **Marriages Registered in the Town of Francess town for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1968**

<i>Date of Place of Marriage</i>	<i>Name and Surname of Groom and Bride</i>	<i>Residence at time of Marriage</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Place of Birth</i>	<i>Names of Parents</i>	<i>Birthplace of Parents</i>	<i>Name and Residence of Person By Whom Married</i>
Jan. 20 Hillsboro	Kenneth William Wheeler Barbara Joyce Paquin	Francess town Hillsboro	23 26	New Hampshire New Hampshire	Wayne I. Wheeler Mary Ellen Clough Joseph E. Paquin	New Hampshire New Hampshire New Hampshire	Earl G. Stiff Minister Hillsboro, N. H.
April 3 Peterborough	Donald Clark Abbott Linda Lee Clark	Francess town Peterborough	20 19	New Hampshire New Hampshire	Gloria N. Barleigh Frank Russell Abbott Nellie Louise Nutting Leslie Richard Clark	Massachusetts New Hampshire New Hampshire New Hampshire	Theodore W. Shokes Minister Peterborough, N. H.
Aug. 24 Jaffrey	Jack Curran Nancy Marie Jurva	Francess town Jaffrey	24 22	Mass. Maine	Thelma Frances French Mason Bixby Martha W. Bixby Tauno Jurva	Connecticut New Hampshire Massachusetts New Hampshire	Mario Costaro Minister Jaffrey, N. H.
Sept. 7 Francess town	Robert Donald Harris Barbara Mae Morgan	Peterborough Francess town	21 19	New Hampshire New Hampshire	George Cummings Donald Harris Ella Louise Brush Arthur Donald Morgan	Massachusetts Maine Vermont New Hampshire	Roswell W. Hinkelman Minister Peterborough, N. H.
Sept. 15 Francess town	John Francis Hyde, Jr. Priscilla Ellen Ayers	So. Lyndbeoro Francess town	21 20	New Hampshire New Hampshire	Marion Idell Matthews John F. Hyde, Sr. Muriel Scott Harry J. Putnam	Massachusetts New Hampshire Massachusetts New Hampshire	R. Franklin Mace Justice of the Peace Francess town, N. H.
Oct. 12 Francess town	Vernon G. Johnson Gail Louise Johnson	Orleans, Mass. Manomet, Ms.	53 33	Mass. Mass.	Ellen J. Chapman George V. Johnson Lydia J. Morris Douglas Rockwood	Pennsylvania Massachusetts Massachusetts Massachusetts	R. Franklin Mace Justice of the Peace Francess town, N. H.
Dec. 15 Peterborough	Richard Allan Chapman Dorothy Sanford Phillips	Peterborough Francess town	46 47	Mass. Maine	Evelyn Stuart Herbert Curtis Chapman Evelyn Louise Damon Everett Daniel Phillips Dorothy Dolly Ridley	Vermont Massachusetts Massachusetts Massachusetts Maine	Henry H. Franklin Justice of the Peace Peterborough, N. H.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
 HERMAN C. MILLER, Town Clerk



### Births Registered in the Town of Fracestown for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1968

<i>Date of Birth</i>	<i>Place of Birth</i>	<i>Name of Child</i>	<i>Name of Father</i>	<i>Maiden Name of Mother</i>	<i>Residence of Parents</i>
Feb. 15	Peterborough	Paul David Sizemore	M Ronald Lynn Sizemore	Marilyn Louise Robinson	Fracestown
March 3	Peterborough	George Carl Cilley Jr.	M George Carl Cilley	Frances Louise McCarthy	Fracestown
March 12	Peterborough	John Richard Hardwick	M Carl Henry Hardwick	Dorothy Ann Hoyt	Fracestown
Oct. 11	Peterborough	Sherry Ann Hoyt	F Richard Donald Hoyt	Joanne Esther Swington	Fracestown
Dec. 17	Peterborough	Tod Alexander Bicknell	M Leighton Newell Bicknell	Constance Inez Kennette	Fracestown

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
HERMAN C. MILLER, Town Clerk

### Deaths Registered in the Town of Fracestown for the Year Ending December 31, 1968

<i>Date of Death</i>	<i>Place of Death</i>	<i>Name and Surname of the Deceased</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Place of Birth</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>Color</i>	<i>Name of Father</i>	<i>Maiden Name of Mother</i>
Jan. 31	Fracestown	Herbert Gilman Dunlap	58	New Hampshire	M		W	Charles Gilman Dunlap	Lizzie Jane Severance
April 28	Peterborough	Florence Roberts Brown	81	Massachusetts		F	W	William H. LaField	Elizabeth Roberts
June 4	Peterborough	Josephine Turnell	85	New Hampshire		F	W	Alan Simpson	Mary Clark
June 16	Exeter	Gady Hopkins	83	New Hampshire		F	W	Leon Girard	
Sept. 15	Peterborough	Neil Leonard	70	Massachusetts	M		W	Patrick Leonard	Annie Connally

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
HERMAN C. MILLER, Town Clerk

# SCHOOL REPORT

## SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

	Term Expires
Moderator: Harold A. Varnum	July, 1968
Clerk: C. Gladys St. John	July, 1968
Treasurer: Donald A. Marsden	July, 1968
Auditor: Walter C. Dodge	July, 1968

## SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Louis Wiederhold, M.D., Chairman	July, 1968
Leighton I. Bicknell	July, 1968
Joseph C. Ludwig, Jr.	July, 1968

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Kenneth A. Sargent, Wilton, N. H.

## TEACHING STAFF 1967-68

Mrs. Nina N. Abbott	Grades 1 & 2
Mrs. Grace W. Rainey	Grades 3, 4 & 5
Mr. John R. Fessenden, Principal	Grades 6, 7 & 8
Mr. Clark L. Green	Music

## SCHOOL NURSE

Mrs. Anna L. Sampson

## SCHOOL DOCTOR

Louis Wiederhold

## ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Mrs. C. Gladys St. John

## CUSTODIAN

Howard D. Kiblin

## SCHOOL BOARD'S FINANCIAL REPORT

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1968

### RECEIPTS

10	<i>Revenue From Local Sources</i>	
11	Taxation and Appropriations Received	
11.11	Current Appropriation	\$53,568 03
11.12	Deficit Appropriation	431 97
19	Revenue from Local Sources	13 44
30	<i>Revenue From State Sources</i>	
36.00	Sweepstakes	763 80
40	<i>Revenue From Federal Sources</i>	
41.10	National Defense Act — Title III	172 71
45.00	School Lunch and Spec. Milk Program	459 81
80	<i>Amounts Received From Other School Districts in State</i>	
81.00	Tuition	2,408 82
		— — — — —
	Total Net Receipts	\$57,818 58
	Cash on Hand at Beginning of Year, July 1, 1967 General Fund	951 06
		— — — — —
	Grand Total Net Receipts from All Sources	\$58,769 64

### EXPLANATION OF DIFFERENCE BETWEEN NET EXPENDITURES AND GROSS TRANSACTIONS

#### A. Receipts

Total Net Receipts Plus Cash on Hand July 1, 1967	\$58,769 64
Receipts Recorded Under Item 60	501 13
	— — — — —
Total Gross Receipts	\$59,270 77

#### B. Expenditures

Total Net Expenditures Plus Cash on Hand June 30, 1968	\$58,769 64
Expenditures Recorded in the 1900 Series	501 13
	— — — — —
Total Gross Expenditures	\$59,270 77

## EXPENDITURES

100	<i>Administration</i>		
110	Salaries for Administration		
110.10	District Officers	\$	142 50
135	Contracted Services		215 00
190	Other Expenses		
190.10	District Officers		96 67
200	<i>Instruction</i>		
210	Salaries		
210.20	Teacher Consultants and Supervisors		550 00
210.30	Teachers		17,787 50
215	Textbooks		49 81
220	School Libraries and Audiovisual Materials		53 43
230	Teaching Supplies		754 33
235	Contracted Services		44 45
290	Other Expenses		40 05
400	<i>Health Services</i>		
410	Salaries		350 00
490	Other Expenses		130 81
500	<i>Pupil Transportation</i>		
535	Contracted Services		6,138 66
600	<i>Operation of Plant</i>		
610	Salaries		1,150 00
630	Supplies, except Utilities		183 10
640	Heat for Buildings		462 03
645	Utilities, except Heat		872 08
690	Other Expenses		12 69
700	<i>Maintenance of Plant</i>		
725	Replacement of Equipment		289 45
726	Repairs to Equipment		67 26
735	Contracted Services		743 38
766	Repairs to Buildings		112 65
790	Other Expenses		60 93

800	<i>Fixed Charges</i>		
850	School District Contributions to Employee Retirement		
850.20	Teachers' Retirement System	626	34
850.30	Federal Ins. Contribution Act	618	79
855	Insurance	415	27
900	<i>School Lunch and Special Milk Program</i>		
975	Expenditures and Transfers of Monies		
975.10	Federal Monies	459	81
975.20	District Monies	8	00
1200	<i>Capital Outlay</i>		
1266	Buildings	160	00
1267	Equipment	353	84
1400	<i>Outgoing Transfer Accounts</i>		
1477	Expenditures to Other School Districts or Administrative Units in the State:		
1477.10	Tuition	22,602	32
1477.30	District Share of Supervisory Union Expenses	2,094	38
1479	Expenditures to Other than Public Schools:		
1479.10	Tuition to Private Nonsectarian Schools	401	00
Total Net Expenditures for All Purposes		58,046	53
Cash on Hand at End of Year, June 30, 1968			
	General Fund	723	11
Grand Total Net Expenditures		58,769	64

### BALANCE SHEET — JUNE 30, 1968

Assets			
Cash on Hand, June 30, 1968 — General Fund	\$	723	11
Total Assets		723	11
Grand Total	\$	723	11

	Liabilities	
Accounts Owed by District		
Total Liabilities	\$	0 00
Surplus (Excess of Assets over Liabilities)		723 11
Grand Total	\$	723 11

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH C. LUDWIG,  
LEIGHTON I. BICKNELL,  
LOUIS WIEDERHOLD, M.D.,  
School Board

September 6, 1968

## REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

For Fiscal Year July 1, 1967 to June 30, 1968

### SUMMARY

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1967	\$	951 06
Received from Selectmen:		
Current Appropriation	\$53,568 03	
Deficit Appropriation	431 97	
Received from State Treasurer		
State Funds	763 80	
Federal Funds	632 52	
Received from Tuitions	2,408 82	
Received from All Other Sources	514 57	
Total Receipts	\$58,319 71	
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	\$59,270 77	
Less School Board Orders Paid	58,547 66	
Balance on Hand June 30, 1968	\$	723 11

October 29, 1968

DONALD A. MARSDEN,  
District Treasurer

## AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements, and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Francestown, New Hampshire, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1968, and find them correct in all respects.

WALTER C. DODGE,

October 31, 1968

Auditor

## REPORT OF SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

The summary below covers the receipts, expenditures and balances of the School Lunch Program at Francestown for the fiscal year 1967-68:

Cash on Hand July 1, 1967		\$	27	31
Receipts: Lunch Sales — Children	\$2,044	50		
Lunch Sales — Adults	172	10		
Reimbursements	450	45		
Miscellaneous Cash	33	75		
Total Receipts	—————	\$	2,700	80
			—————	
Total Available Cash		\$	2,728	11
Expenditures: Food	\$1,456	72		
Labor	1,154	00		
All Other	72	46		
Total Expenditures	—————	\$	2,683	18
			—————	
Actual Cash Balance June 30, 1968		\$	44	93

I certify that the above information is true and correct; that the cash balance has been determined by actual count and/or verification of the checkbook balance; and that invoices and other pertinent records are on file to substantiate the School Lunch Program transactions.

Respectfully submitted,

C. GLADYS ST. JOHN,

June 22, 1968

Manager

**STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR ENDING  
JUNE 30, 1968**

<b>Enrollment</b>									
GRADES	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Primary	14	8							22
Intermediate			15	9	9				33
Grammar						8	7	8	23

<b>Attendance</b>			
	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance
Primary	20.6	19.3	93.5
Intermediate	32.3	30.4	94.1
Grammar	22.5	21.2	94.4

**Attending Schools Elsewhere**

Attending Antrim High School	3
Attending Greenfield Public	2
Attending Peterborough High School	29
Attending Private School Outside District	4
Attending Parochial School Outside District	1



## SCHOOL NURSE REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Board of Education:

The following is a summary of the health work completed by the School Nurse in Greenfield School from September 1967 to June 1968.

Number of Visits	22
Inspections	375
Students weighed (each month)	399
Students measured (each 3 months)	200
Vision Tests	58
Hearing Tests	55
Home Visits	4
First Aid	20

Physical examinations by the School Doctor showed the following defects:

Teeth	17
Tonsils	3
Underweight	2
Overweight	5

Defects found by the School Nurse:

Vision	4
Hearing	1

There were 9 cases of Chicken Pox.

There were 7 cases of mumps.

### Special Health Activities

Dr. Weathers held 2 dental clinics, 7 children attended. This was sponsored by the P.T.C.

The pre-school clinic was held in May.

I wish to thank all concerned for the cooperation given me in regards to the Health Program in the School.

Respectfully submitted,  
ANNA L. SAMPSON, R.N.  
School Nurse

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board and Citizens of Francestown:

I submit this abbreviated report relative to the activities of the School District from the time of the final School District Meeting held in March, 1968, until June 30th. At this time the Contoocook Valley School District assumed full operating responsibilities for schools in Francestown.

All plans for closing out of the District proceeded as were projected except that late in the fiscal year the State Tax Commission, Municipal Accounting Division, indicated that it would be a physical impossibility for their office to audit the accounts of the District because of insufficient personnel. Local School Boards, therefore, assumed the responsibility for finding local auditors to conduct a careful and detailed audit. This audit was completed, is reported herein, and met all state requirements.

The accounts of the District were closed in good order providing a net balance in Francestown of \$723.11. Even though the District authorized raising and appropriating \$3350.00 to cover any unanticipated expenditures between the time of the March meeting and the end of the year, in actuality only \$431.97 additionally was required by the Board to meet unexpected expenses. As provided by an article that was in the warrant, this net balance has been transferred to the Contoocook Valley School District and has been credited toward Francestown's share of funds necessary for operating the Contoocook Valley District in 1968-69.

All Treasurers Reports and Bookkeeping Reports of the School District have been stored within the community at the Selectmen's Office and should be on hand for a period of seven years.

Copies of all recent Town Reports are filed in the Superintendent of School's Office in Wilton and are available for transfer to the Contoocook Valley School District Office.

All registers for Francestown, such as they exist, are also at the Supervisory Union Office in Wilton and should be transferred to the Conval Office.

I am pleased to report the transfer of administrative responsibility from the town district to the Contoocook Valley School District has been made with minimal problems and confusion.

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH A. SARGENT,

Superintendent of Schools



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